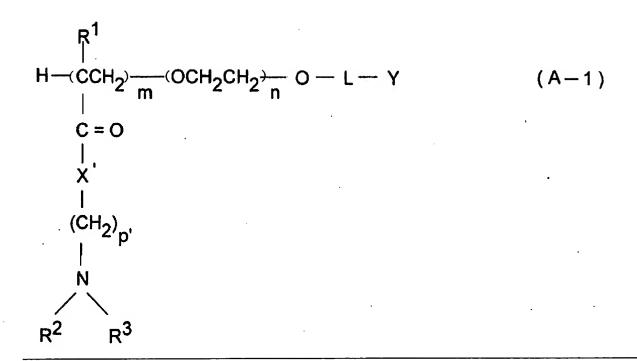
AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph from page 6, line 33, to page 8, line 5, as follows:

In order that the above-mentioned hydrophilic polymer chain segment and polymer chain segment containing a recurring unit which has, on its side chain, a tertiary amino group and/or a secondary amino group may be incorporated as segments in a block copolymer to be used in this invention, both polymers are previously prepared, and are then bound to each other by any binding means that is known in the art. In another method to provide a block copolymer to be used in this invention, a polymer which corresponds to one of segments is prepared, and, at one terminal of the polymer, a monomer which corresponds to the other segment is polymerized and grown. As a typical example of such a method, although not restrictive, there can be mentioned a method which is disclosed in the above-mentioned Kataoka et al., and block copolymer obtained in such a method, which has general formula (A-1) as follows:



wherein R¹ denotes a hydrogen atom or a C_{1.6} alkyl group, R² and

R³ either, independently, denote a C₁₋₆ alkyl group or, taken together, may form, with the nitrogen atom to which they are bound, a five- or six-membered heterocycle which may contain further one or two nitrogen atoms, an oxygen atom or a sulfur atom,

X' denotes -0- or -NW-,

p' denotes an integer of 2 to 6,

L denotes a C₁-6 alkylene or a valence bond,

Y denotes a hydrogen atom, a hydroxyl group, a carboxyl group, an amino group, an acetalized formyl group or a formyl (or aldehyde)

group,

m denotes an integer of 1 to 10,000,

n denotes an integer of 10 to 20,000, and

p' denotes an integer of 2 to 6,

is conveniently used in this invention.